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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of

Serial No. : 10/620,202  
Title : METHOD FOR BLOCKING UNWANTED FACSIMILE  
TRANSMISSIONS  
Applicant : Shirley F. Mitchell  
Filing Date : July 14, 2003  
Atty Docket : 2002-0778.02  
Examiner : Negussie Worku  
Art Unit : 2625

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2008, Applicant submits the following response.

If additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of the above-referenced application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), and any fees required there for (including fees for filing and net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 12-1213.

In the outstanding Office Action, pending claims 1-43 are subject to a restriction requirement. The Office Action identifies Group I as being directed to facsimile transmission.

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recited in claims 1-27; and Group II as being directed to controlling a communication apparatus  
recited in claims 28-43. In response, Applicant elects Group II, corresponding to claims 28-43,  
for prosecution in the present application, without traverse.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in a condition for allowance and a  
notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that  
personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to  
telephone or email the undersigned at the numbers provided.

Respectfully submitted,

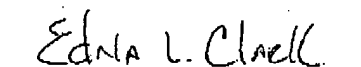


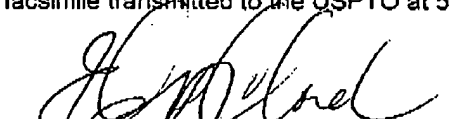
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Date: April 17, 2008